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Appl. No. : 10/520,109 Confirmation No. 9548
Applicant : Norbert BREUER et al.
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Examiner : D. Tran

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Customer No. : 02119

Commissioner for Patents
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Date: August 4, 2008

APPLICANTS' INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sir:

This is to make of record a telephone interview held on June 17, 2008, between Examiner Tran and applicants' representative, Mr. John F. Gonzales, Reg. #50,209.

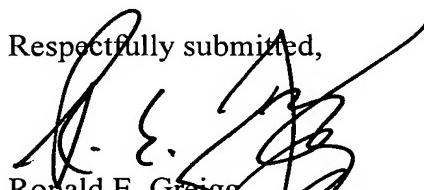
In the interview, Mr. Gonzales acknowledged receipt by the law firm of Greigg & Greigg of a second Examiner's Answer mailed by the Examiner on June 10, 2008. Mr. Gonzales noted: (1) the indication on page 2 of the second Examiner's Answer that claims 24-29 and 40 were objected to; (2) that the Rodhe et al reference was no longer listed in the "Evidence Relied Upon" at page 3 of the second Examiner's Answer; and (3) that claims 24-29 and 40 were rejected on page 5 of the second Examiner's Answer as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Birckigt, Caren et al and Rodhe et al.

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During the interview, the Examiner acknowledged that claims 24-29 and 40 were allowed.

Mr. Gonzales pointed out to the Examiner the obvious inconsistency in the second Examiner's Answer and suggested to the Examiner that a corrected (third) Examiner's Answer or some other paper should be mailed by the Examiner indicating, in view of the amendment filed on May 21, 2008, that claims 24-29 and 40 are allowed and omitting the rejection of claims 24-29 and 40 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

The Examiner stated that she would consult with her superior. As of today's date, no further communication has been received from the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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